



Community Presbyterian Church

Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinal Time
28 September 2025

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

***Call to Worship**

(One) Almighty God, you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit.

(All) Let us spread this gift throughout the world by our love for one another. That it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(One) Come, Let us worship the God from whom all our blessings flow and who dwells with us today.

**(All) We will praise the One who lives and reigns in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever.
Amen.**

Opening Prayer

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 146

(One) Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

(All) I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

(One) Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

(All) When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

(One) Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them.

(All) He, who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.

(One) The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.

(All) The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

(One) The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

(All) The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations.

(One) Praise the LORD!

***Hymn (40)**

For the Beauty of the Earth

(1) For the beauty of the earth,
for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,

Refrain:

Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

(2) For the wonder of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light, [Refrain]

(3) For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above;
for all gentle thoughts and mild, [Refrain]

(4) For the church that evermore
lifteth holy hands above,
offering up on every shore
her pure sacrifice of love, [Refrain]

(5) For thyself, best gift divine,
to the race so freely given;
for that great, great love of thine,
peace on earth and joy in heaven. [Refrain]

Call to Confession

Silence

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

New Testament Reading

1 Timothy 6:6-19

Gospel Reading

Luke 16:19-31

Sermon

***Hymn (502)**

Be Thou My Vision

(1) Be thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art--
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

(2) Be thou my Wisdom, and thou my true Word,
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
high King of heaven, my Treasure thou art.

(3) Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise;
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart;
O King of glory, my treasure Thou art.

(4) High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

RESPONSE

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. **I believe** in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. **I believe** in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory

***Doxology & Prayer of Dedication**

Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People

(One) In Your mercy ...

(All) ... Hear our prayers.

The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

SENDING

Charge

Benediction

Postlude

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SCRIPTURES

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Woe to those who are at ease in Zion and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.

6:4

Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and lounge on their couches and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the stall,

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who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David improvise on instruments of music,

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who drink wine from bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!

6:7

Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

1 Timothy 6:6-19

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment,

6:7

for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it,

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but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these.

6:9

But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.

6:10

For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

6:11

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness.

6:12

Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

6:13

In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you

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to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ,

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which he will bring about at the right time--he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

6:16

It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

6:17

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.

6:18

They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share,

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thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Luke 16:19-31

"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day.

16:20

And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores,

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who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores.

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The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

16:23

In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side.

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He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.'

16:25

But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony.

16:26

Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.'

16:27

He said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house--

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for I have five brothers--that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.'

16:29

Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.'

16:30

He said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.'

16:31

He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"